

MILESTONES

Twenty years ago, Pugwash and Joseph Rotblat won the Nobel Peace Prize



(Left to right) Francesco Calogero and Joseph Rotblat receiving the jointly-awarded Nobel Peace Prize.

However, as Rotblat and the organisation's thousands of members pointed out at the time, their work was far from done. The challenges to peace and nuclear disarmament in a post-Cold War world would be different and more difficult to tackle.

On October 13, 1995, the Nobel Peace Prize was jointly awarded to Joseph Rotblat and the Pugwash Conferences on Science and World Affairs, for their 40-year effort "to diminish the part played by nuclear arms in international politics and in the longer run to eliminate such arms." This was the first peace prize to be given in equal parts to an individual and an organisation.



Celebrating the Nobel Peace Prize award at the Pugwash Rome Office, 1995.

2015 marks the 20th anniversary of the Nobel Peace Prize award

As we look back to celebrate the work that Pugwash has accomplished, it also serves as a timely reminder of Pugwash's broader purposes that remain relevant today – that of minimising the risks of armed conflict, and seeking cooperative solutions to global problems through debate, discussion and collaborative analysis.

While it has been almost 60 years since Hiroshima and Nagasaki, the memories and scars of the tragedy remain. The Pugwash movement calls upon all governments and individuals to do as Russell and Einstein urged:

'Remember your humanity'

LINKS:

- [Read](#) Joseph Rotblat's Nobel Peace Prize acceptance speech
- [Read](#) John Holdren's Nobel Peace Prize acceptance speech, on behalf of the Pugwash Conferences

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The Pugwash Conferences
on Science and World Affairs
les Conférences Pugwash sur les affaires
du monde et de la science

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"The quest for a war-free world has a basic purpose: survival. But if in the process we learn how to achieve it by love rather than by fear, by kindness rather than by compulsion, if in the process we learn to combine the essential with the enjoyable, the expedient with the benevolent, the practical with the beautiful, this will be an extra incentive to embark on this great task. Above all, remember your humanity."

« Le but fondamental de la quête d'un monde sans guerre est la survie. Or, si durant le processus nous apprenons à l'acquiescer par l'amour plutôt que par la peur, par la bonté plutôt que par la contrainte, et si durant le processus nous apprenons à joindre l'agréable à l'utile, le bienveillant à l'expédient, le beau au pratique, ce sera là une incitation de plus pour nous engager dans cette grande entreprise. Au-dessus tout, souvenez-vous de votre humanité. »

Joseph Rotblat

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Nobel medal displayed at the Thinkers' Lodge, Pugwash, Nova Scotia.